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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE  
DEPOSIT ACCOUNT THEREFOR

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated May 30, 2003 for three(3) month(s) from August 30, 2003 to November 30, 2003. An Amendment responding to the aforesaid Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

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